

Smooth Pursuit of Flicker-defined Motion

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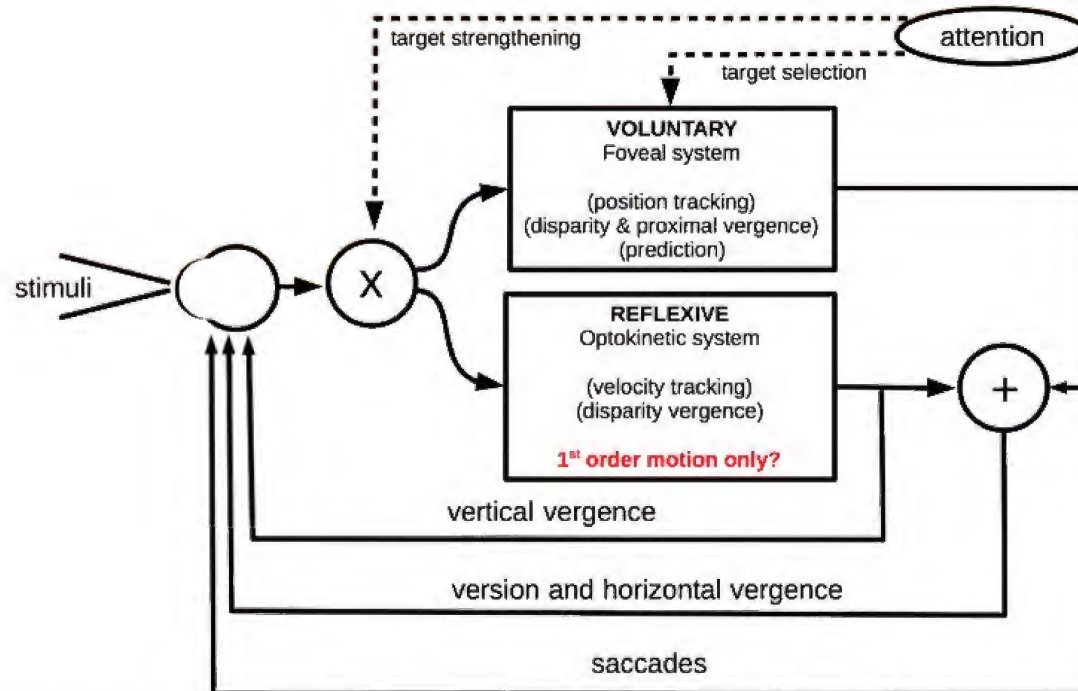
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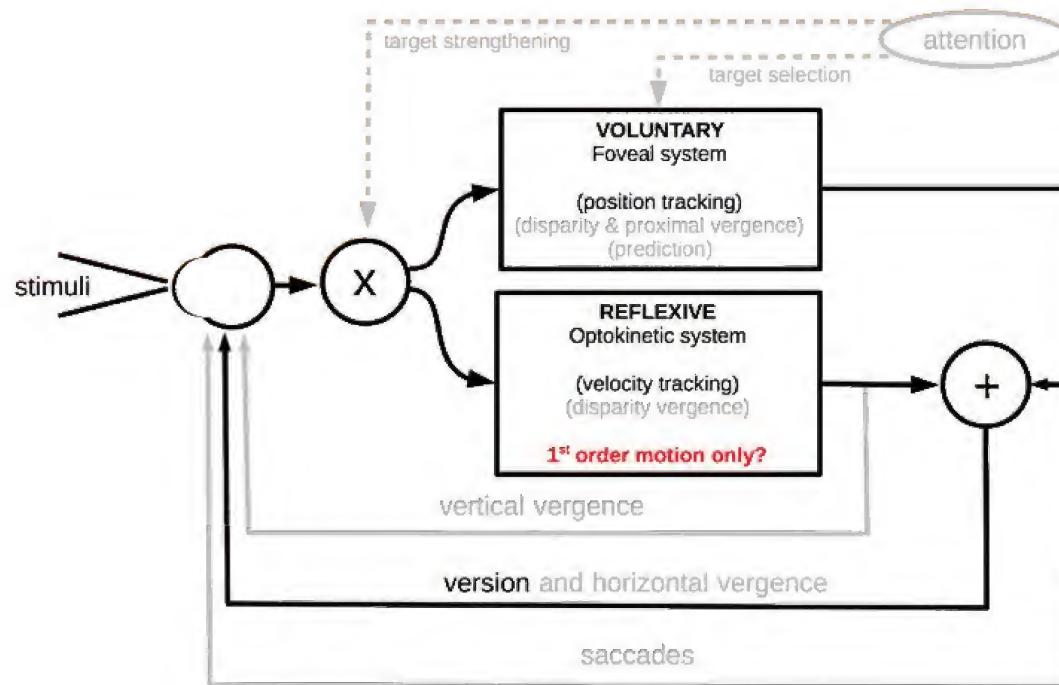
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A (familiar?) Model of Eye Movement Control



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The delayed feedback paradigm



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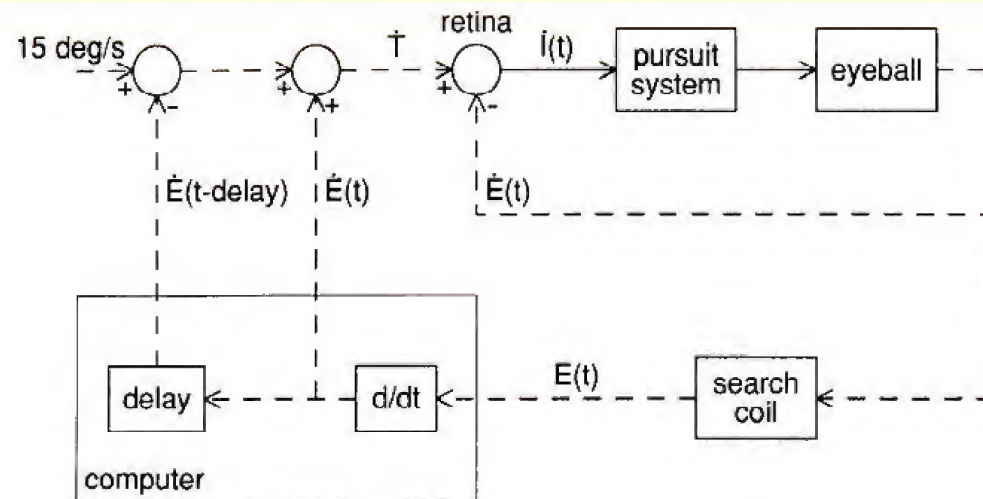
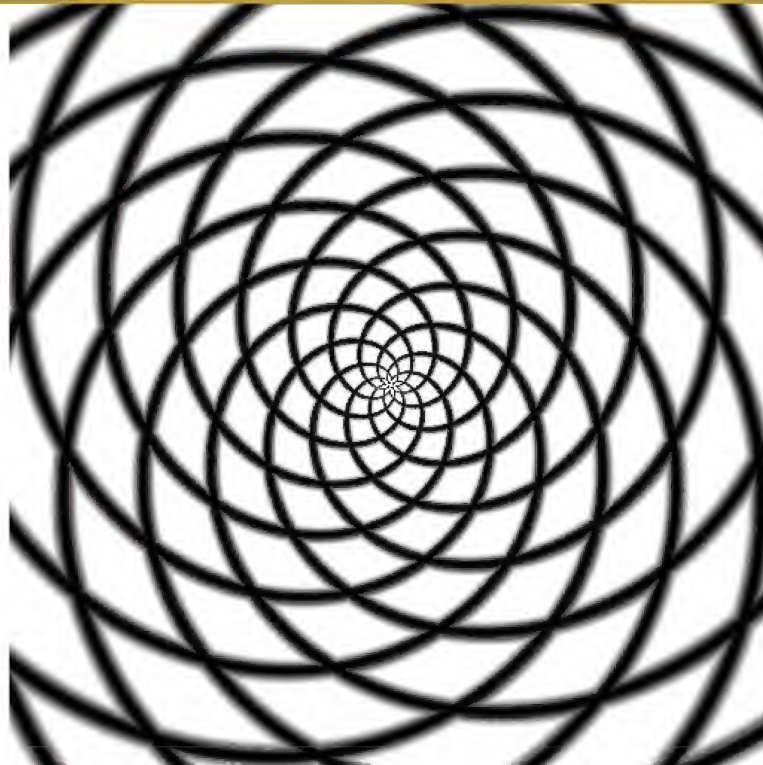


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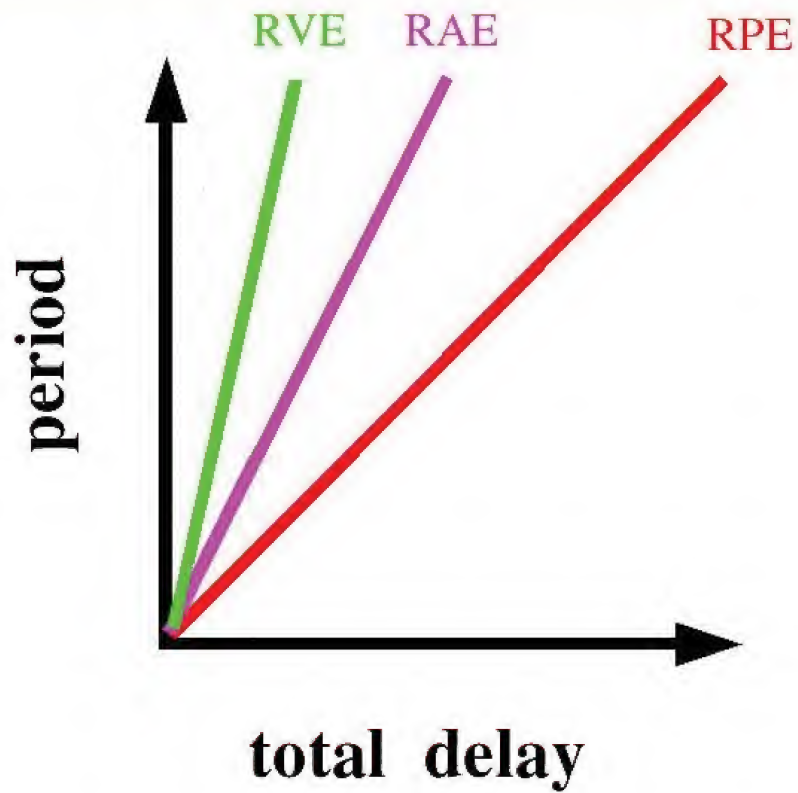
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Period vs. delay- summary



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A little math - definitions



$e(t)$	eye position (EP)
$p(t)$	target position
$\dot{e}(t)$	eye velocity (EV)
$\dot{p}(t)$	target velocity
$\ddot{e}(t)$	eye acceleration (EA)
$\ddot{p}(t)$	target acceleration

A little math - definitions



$p(t) - e(t)$	retinal position error (RPE)
$\dot{p}(t) - \dot{e}(t)$	retinal velocity error (RVE)
$\ddot{p}(t) - \ddot{e}(t)$	retinal acceleration error (RAE)

A little math - control laws



$$\ddot{e}(t) = k_1 \left[p(t - \delta_1) - e(t - \delta_1) \right] \quad \text{RPE drives EA}$$

$$\ddot{e}(t) = k_2 \left[\dot{p}(t - \delta_1) - \dot{e}(t - \delta_1) \right] \quad \text{RVE drives EA}$$

$$\ddot{e}(t) = k_3 \left[\ddot{p}(t - \delta_1) - \ddot{e}(t - \delta_1) \right] \quad \text{RAE drives EA}$$

A little math - control laws



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RPE drives EV

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RVE drives EA

A little math - possible stimuli



$p(t) = k$	stationary target
$p(t) = e(t)$	ideal stabilization
$p(t) = e(t - \varepsilon)$	lab stabilization
$p(t) = e(t) + d(t)$	open-loop
$p(t) = e(t) - e(t - \delta_2)$	transient stabilization

A little math - delayed feedback & model



$$p(t) = e(t) - e(t - \delta_2) \quad \text{transient stabilization}$$

$$\ddot{e}(t) = k_1 \left[p(t - \delta_1) - e(t - \delta_1) \right] \quad \text{RPE drives EA}$$

$$\ddot{e}(t) = k_1 \left[e(t - \delta_1) - e(t - \delta_1 - \delta_2) - e(t - \delta_1) \right]$$

$$\ddot{e}(t) = -k_1 e(t - \delta_1 - \delta_2)$$

$$\ddot{e}(t) = -k_1 e(t - \delta)$$

A little math - sinusoidal solution



$$\ddot{e}(t) = -k_1 e(t - \delta)$$

$$e(t) = e^{i\omega t} \quad \text{trial solution}$$

satisfied if $k_1 = \omega^2$ and $\lambda = \delta$,

$$\text{where } \lambda \equiv \frac{2\pi}{\omega}.$$

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$\lambda = \delta$ RPE drives EA

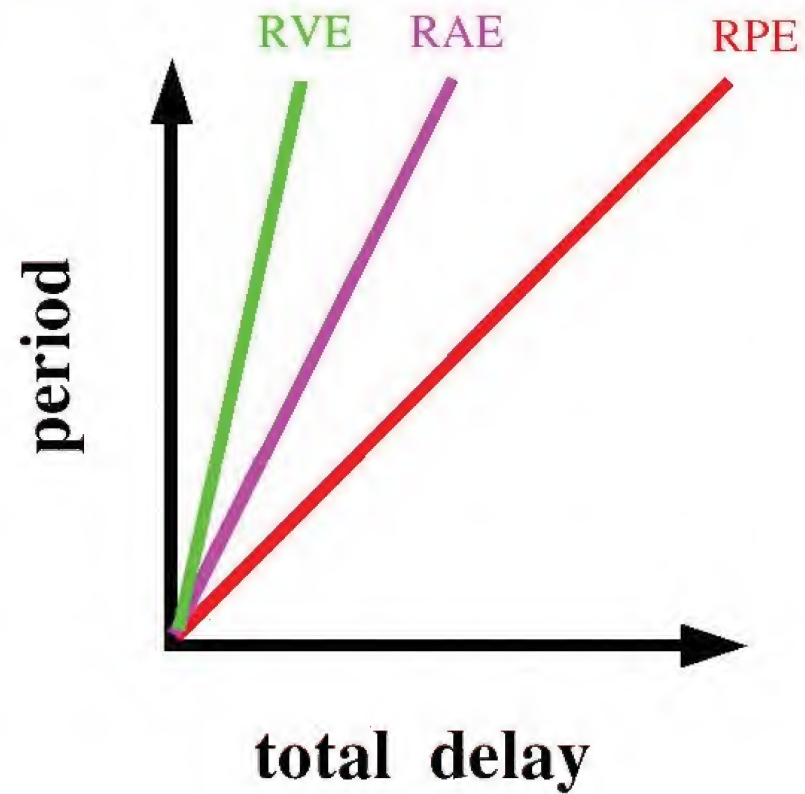
$\lambda = 4\delta$ RVE drives EA

$\lambda = 2\delta$ RAE drives EA

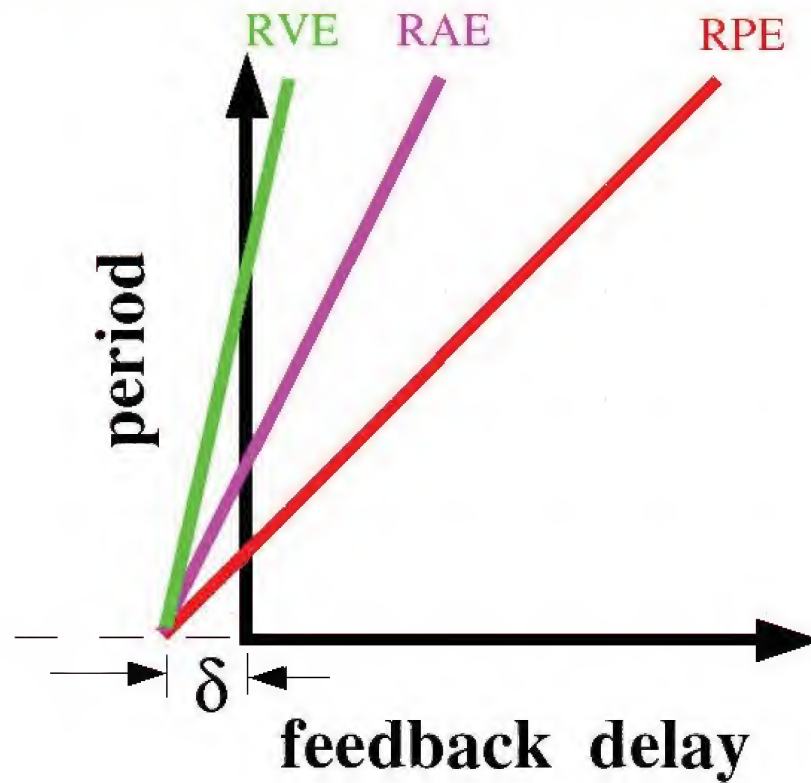
$$\lambda = \frac{4\delta}{4n + 2 - N_d}$$

$\lambda = \frac{4}{3} \delta$ RPE drives eye jerk

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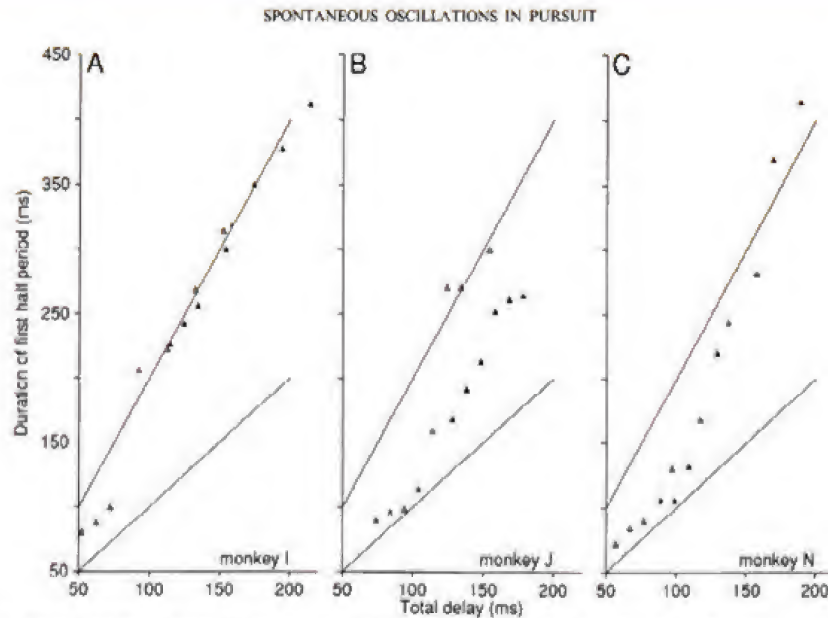


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Period vs. delay - summary

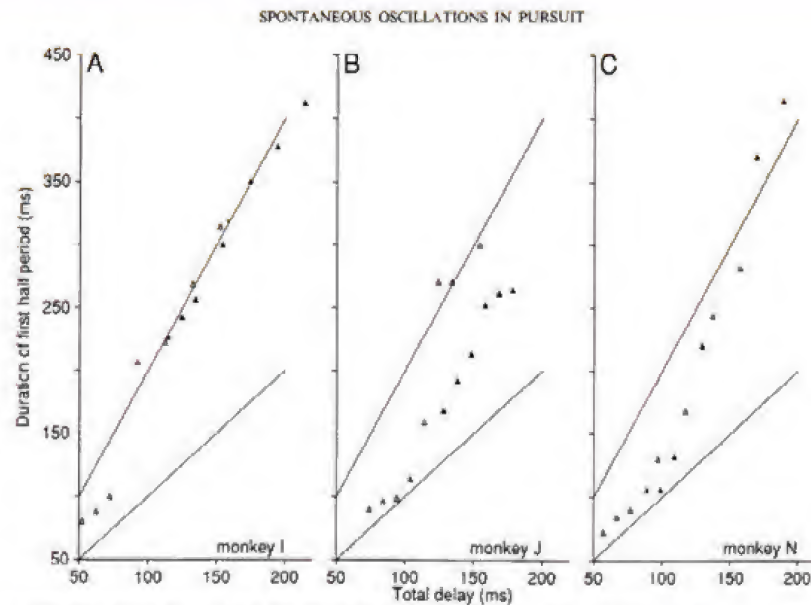


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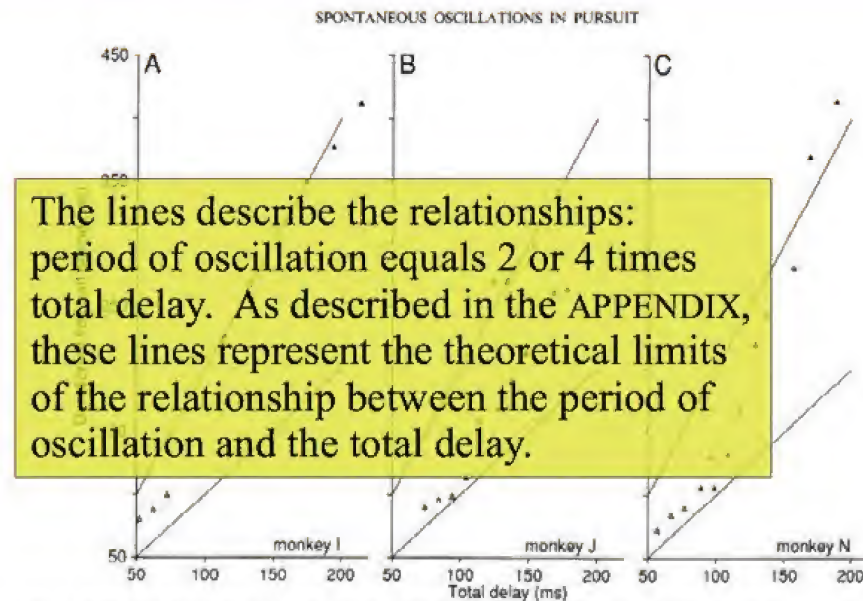


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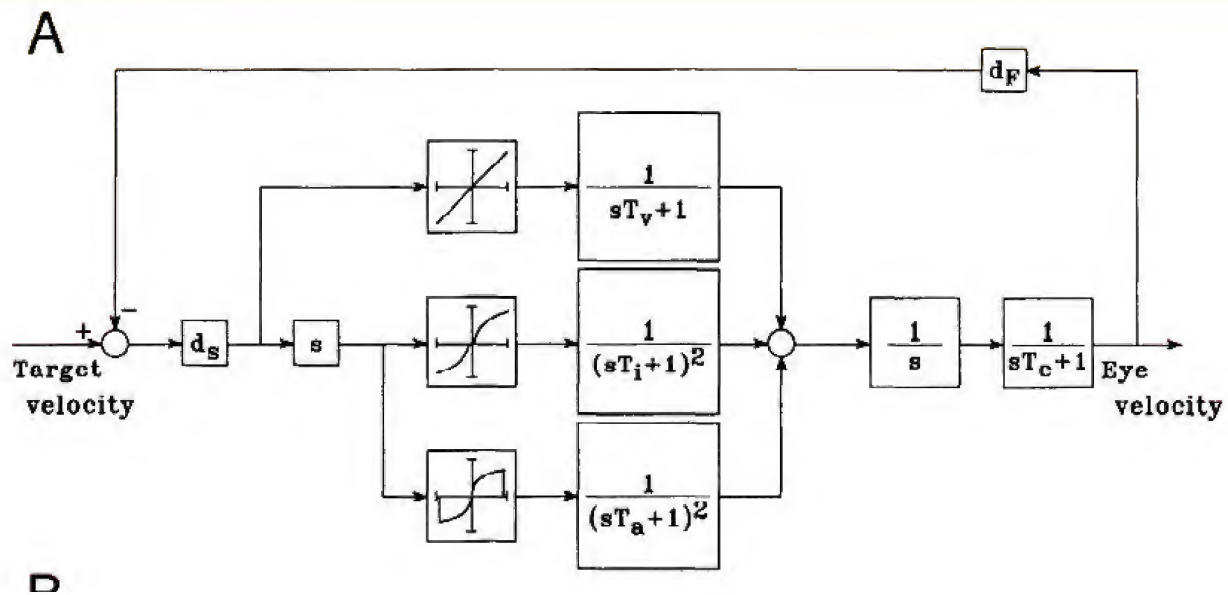
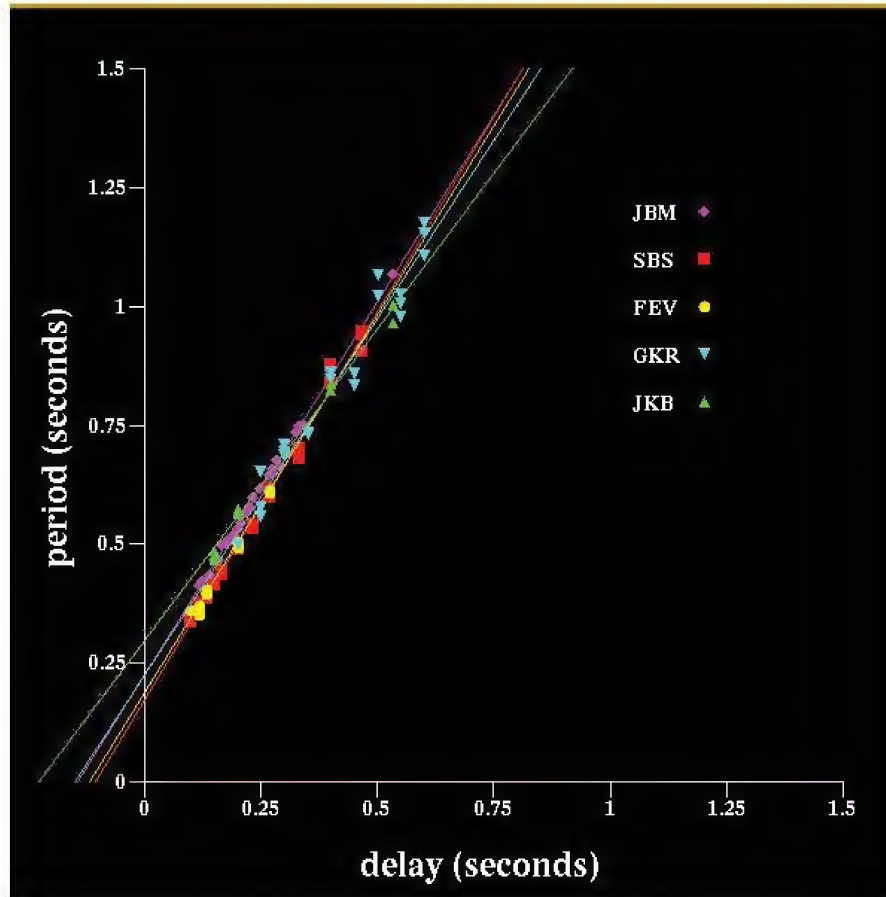


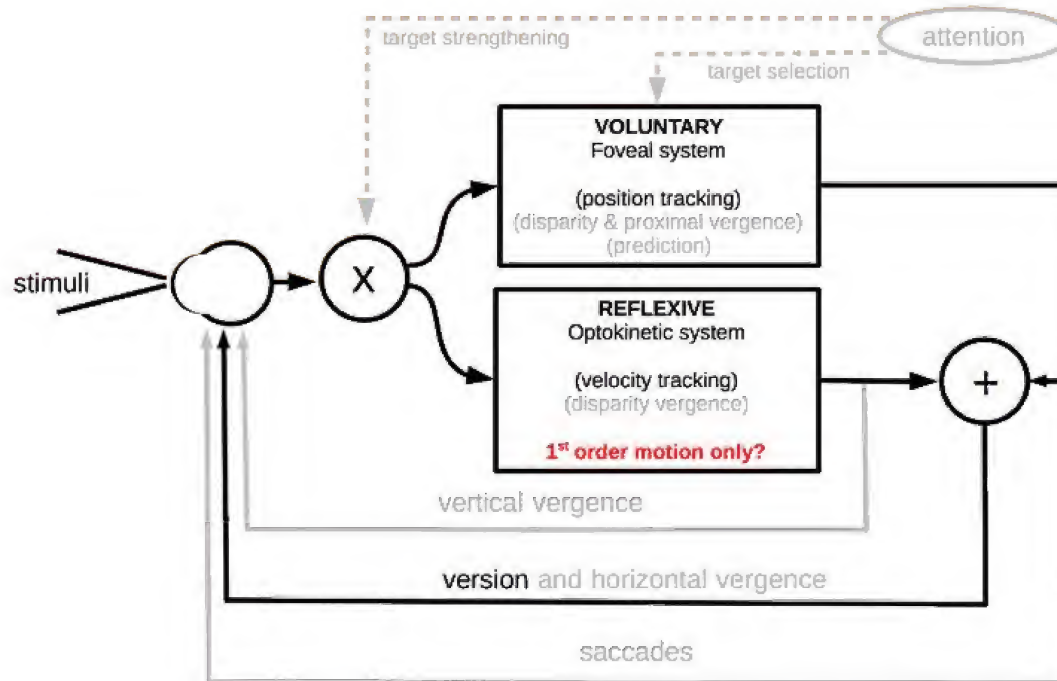
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Old results - laser spot on spiral background



Slopes: 1.3 - 1.6

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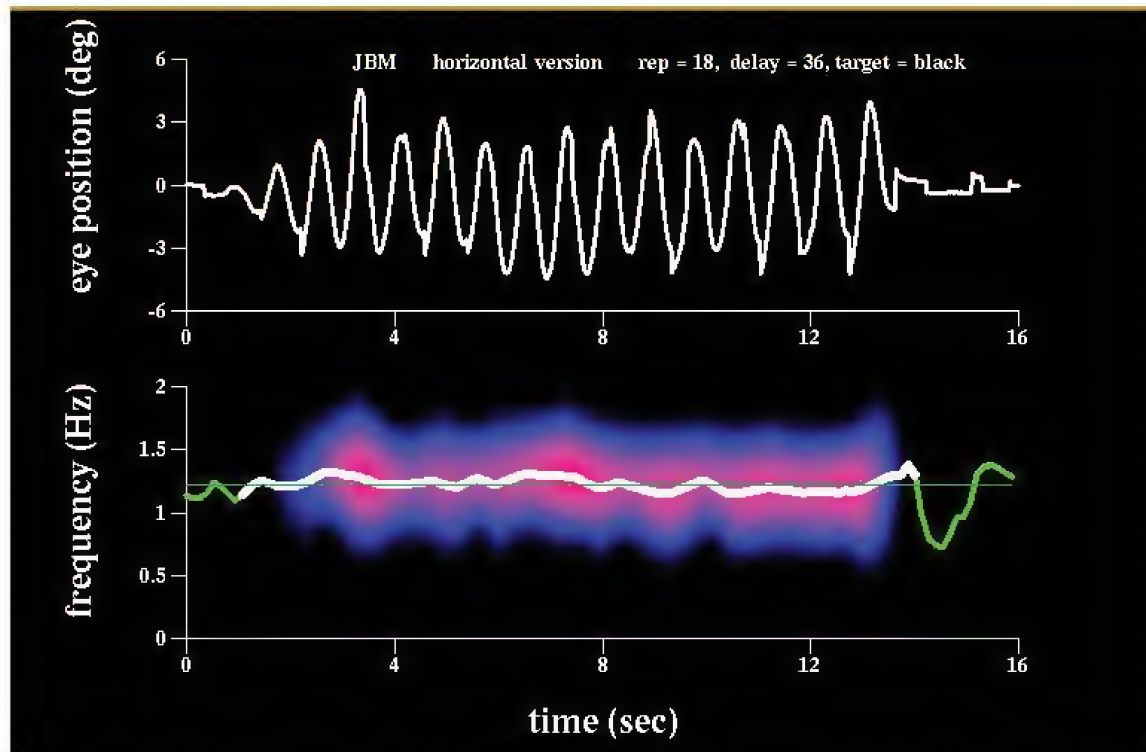
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The stimulus - flicker defined motion

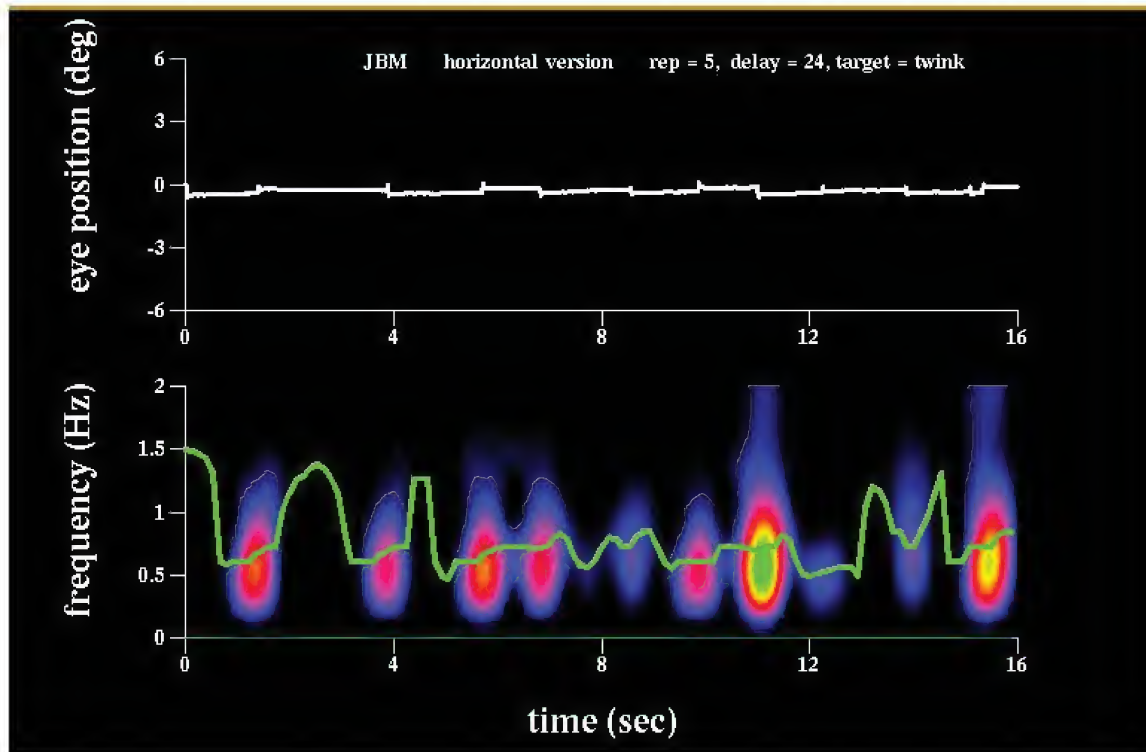


- Black/white pattern minimizes effects of gamma nonlinearity
- Carrier pattern: dense (Julesz) random dot pattern
- Stimulus pattern: probability of dot polarity reversal
- Real-time generation via nVidia CUDA (120 Hz to CRT)
- [Demos](#)

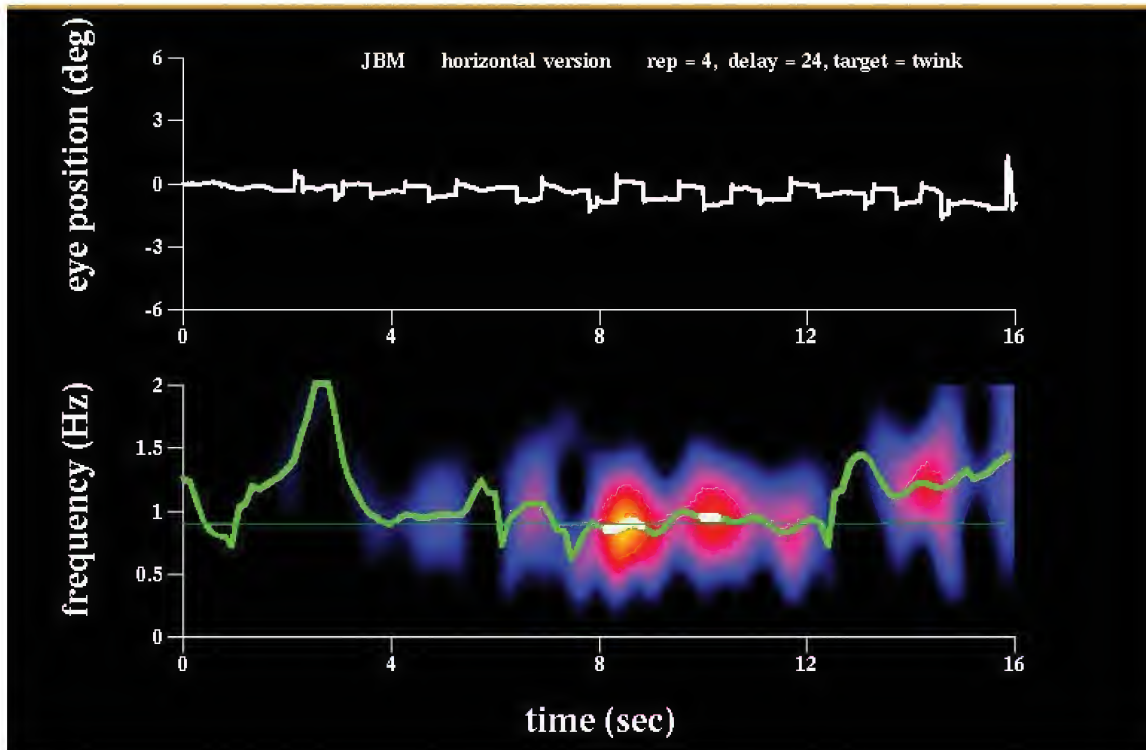
Sample trial - black spot



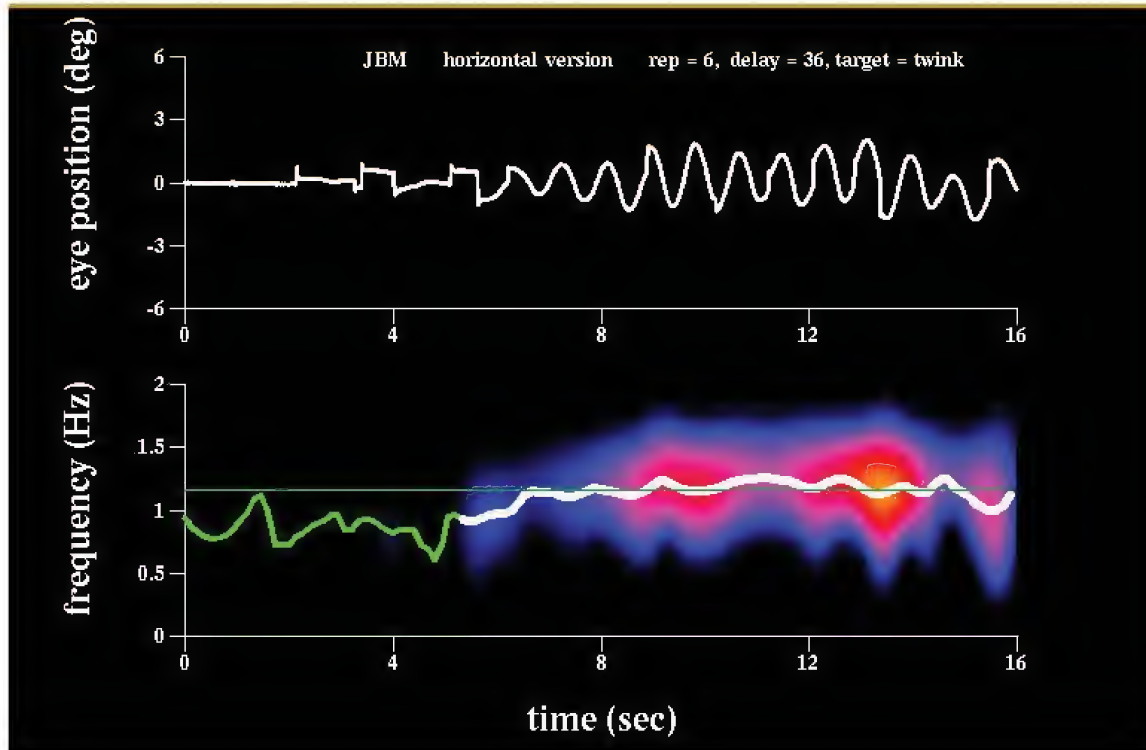
First trial - twinkle spot



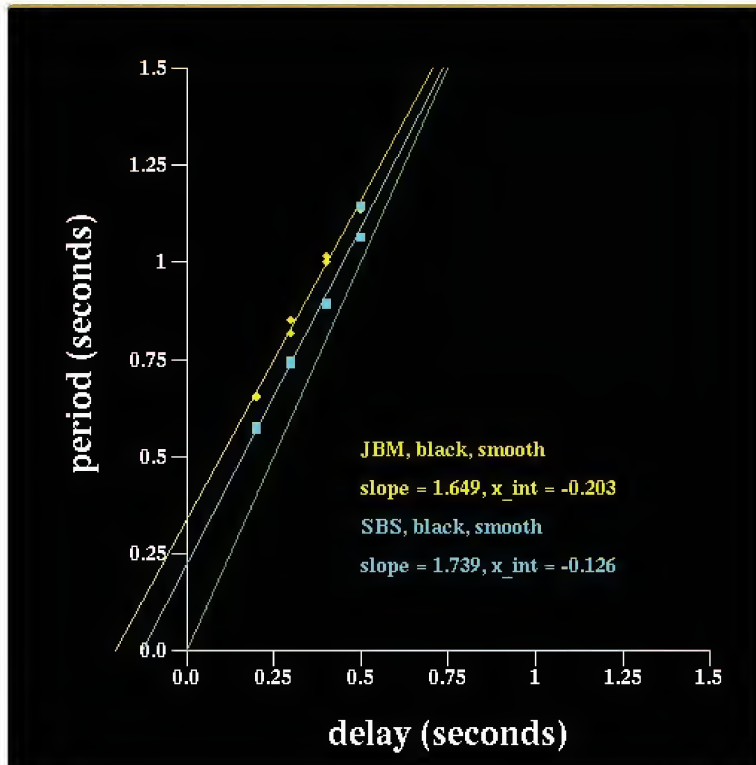
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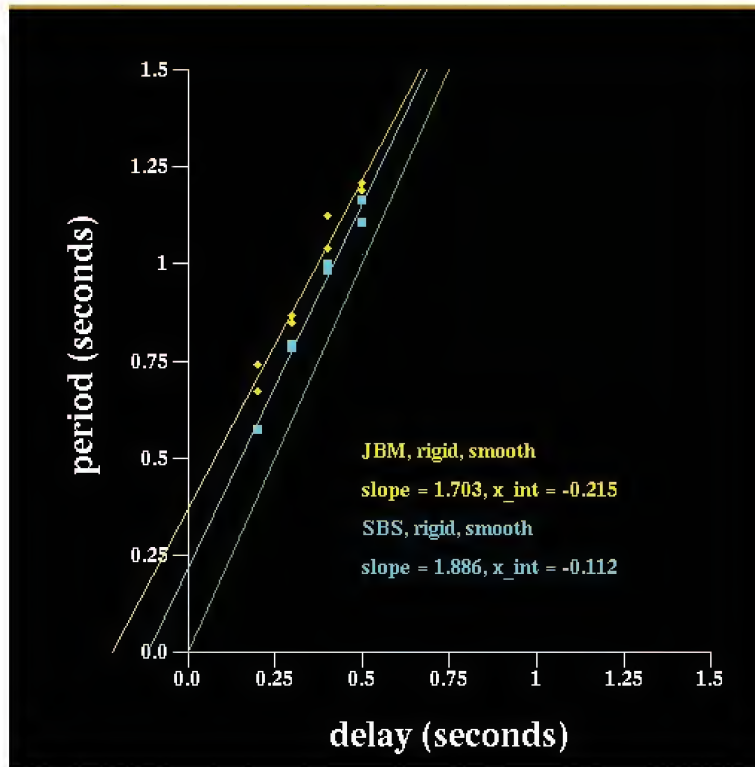
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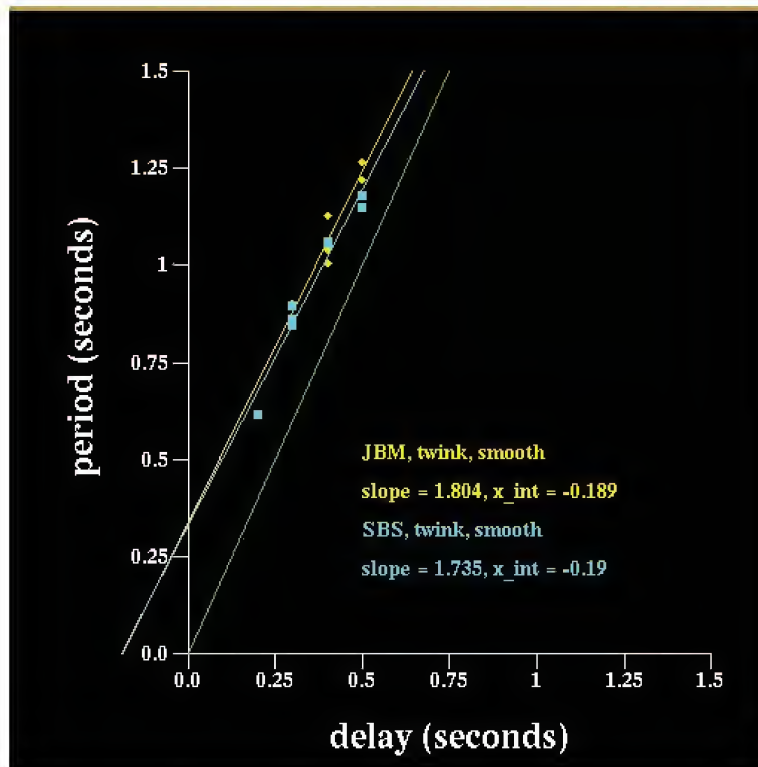
Period-vs-Delay - black spot



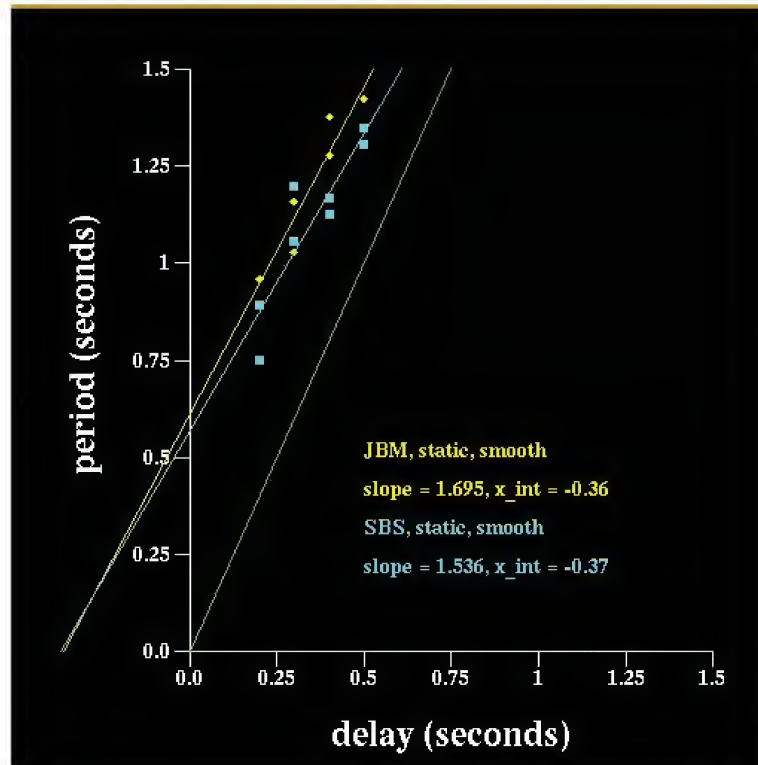
Period-vs-Delay - rigid spot



Period-vs-Delay - twinkle spot



Period-vs-Delay - static spot



Summary



- Flicker-defined motion produces weak motion sensation
- But response to flicker-defined spot is similar to that of standard target
- Largest difference seen for cue-conflict "static" spot
- BUT only small change in period-versus-delay slope!?
- Modeling required to understand the role of position inputs to pursuit

- THANK YOU!